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AUTHORISED CAPITAL,..........£1,500,000.
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J. W. R. TAYLOR,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, December 18, 1895. 228

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CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £800,000
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INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2 % per annum on the Daily balances.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 %
" " " 6 " 3½ %
" " " 3 " 2½ %

T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager.

Hongkong, September 16, 1895. 846

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

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For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, August 1, 1895. 1515

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL..........$10,000,000.
RESERVE FUND..........$ 5,500,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS..........$10,000,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—
J. KRAMER, Esq.—Chairman.
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HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
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ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 3 months 2½ per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 3½ " "
" 12 " 4 " "

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, December 23, 1895. 348

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL..........$1,000,000.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL..........$ 500,000.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors.
D. GILLIES, Esq. | H. STOLTERFOHT, Esq.
CHAN KIT SHAN, Esq. | CHOW TUNG SHANG, Esq.
KWAN HOI CHUEN, Esq.
Chief Manager.
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.
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Hongkong, October 23, 1894. 1711

SIEN TING,
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No. 10, D'AGUILAR STREET.
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Hongkong, April 8, 1895. [illegible]

Business Notices.

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TUNING and REPAIRING. 2436

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FOR.	STEAMSHIP.	DATE.	REMARKS.
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SHANGHAI	*Peshawur*	About 30th Dec.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON	*Ceylon*	About 31st Dec.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON, &c.	*Rosetta*	Noon, 2nd Jan.	*See Special Advertisement.*
JAPAN	*Verona*	Noon, 3rd Jan.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON	*Mazagon*	About 15th Jan.	Freight or Passage.
LONDON	*Japan*	About 24th Jan.	Freight or Passage.

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ALF. WOOLLEY, *Acting Superintendent.*

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, December 20, 1895. 2403

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TELEPHONE No. 75.

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W. JACKSON, *Manager.*

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are invited to witness the

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TABLE LINEN.

PLAIN DAMASK CLOTHS.
FANCY TEA CLOTHS, NAPKINS to MATCH.
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AMERICAN BUTTER in Rolls and Pats.
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SHIPPING AND COAST PORT ORDERS WILL HAVE PROMPT ATTENTION.

J. TATAM.

Hongkong, December 2, 1895. 2244

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Hongkong, December 7, 1895. 2287

Business Notices.

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Notices of Firms.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

FROM this date Mr. C. TOURNAIRE has TAKEN CHARGE of the AGENCY of the above Company in Hongkong.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, December 24, 1895. 2434

NOTICE.

MY Brother, Mr EDMUND HUMPHREYS, my Son, Mr HENRY HUMPHREYS, Mr HART BUCK, and my Nephew, Mr JOHN AMBROSE JUPP, have this day been ADMITTED into PARTNERSHIP in my Firm of JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON.

JNO. D. HUMPHREYS.

Hongkong, December 2, 1895. 2247

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

FROM this date, during the Absence of Mr. JAS. B. COUGHTRIE from the Colony, Mr. GEO. L. TOMLIN has been appointed ACTING SECRETARY to the Company.

A. McCONACHIE,
Chairman.

Hongkong, December 9, 1895. 2300

Auctions.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 528.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of SALE of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held on the Spot, on MONDAY, the 30th day of December, 1895, at 4 p.m., are published for general information.

By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Hongkong, 14th December, 1895. 2419

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 30th day of December, 1895, at 4 p.m., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 999 years.

Particulars of the Lot.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements. N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in Square feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.		$	$
1	Inland Lot No. 1,090	North of Ewo Street	330	374	176	1.7	30,301	374	7,095

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from H. M. NAVAL STOREKEEPER, to Sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY,

the 8th day of January, 1896, at Noon, at H.M. Naval Yard,—

SUNDRY
NAVAL AND VICTUALLING CONDEMNED STORES,
comprising:—
OLD IRON, PAPER STUFF, RAGS, CANVAS SCRAPS, CLOTHING, &c.
A QUANTITY OF
BRASS BOILER TUBES.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Government Auctioneer.

Hongkong, December 26, 1895. 2421

CHAN A-TONG,
COAL MERCHANT,
No. 5, ARSENAL STREET, EAST.
Business Office: No. 21, Clinton Street. 178

Intimations.

THE DAIRY FARM CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ninth Ordinary Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at TELEGRAPH HOUSE, Queen's Road, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 27th Instant, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to the 30th November last.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to 27th Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. HUTTON POTTS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 12, 1895. 2347

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 539.

INFORMATION has been Received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that ARTILLERY PRACTICE will take place from the 1st to 31st JANUARY, 1896, (SUNDAYS excepted), between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. DAILY, as follows:—

From Stone-cutter's Island, East and South Shore Batteries in Westerly and South-Westerly directions.
From Lyemun in North-Westerly, North-Easterly and South-Easterly directions.

All SHIPS, JUNKS and other VESSELS are CAUTIONED to keep clear of the Ranges.

The inhabitants of the Houses at Stonecutters' Island are warned to keep their glass windows open during the practice.

By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Hongkong, 20th December, 1895. 2431

WANTED.

A SECRETARY for the HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. Applications to be sent in not later than 15TH JANUARY.

F. HENDERSON,
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 24, 1895. 2428

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY General MEETING of the HONGKONG BRICK AND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central, on SATURDAY, the 11th day of January, 1896, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the following Resolution, that is to say:—

'That the HONGKONG BRICK AND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, be wound-up voluntarily, under the Provisions of the Companies Ordinances 1865 to 1890, and that CHESLEY EWENS, of Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, be, and he is hereby appointed Liquidator, for the purposes of such winding-up.'

Dated the 23rd day of December, 1895.

By Order of the Board,
W. A. DUFF,
Secretary.

NOTICE.

WITH reference to the above Notice the Business of the Company will not be interrupted and Orders will be received as heretofore by the Undersigned.

W. A. DUFF,
Secretary.

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PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fourth Ordinary General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, Connaught House, on SATURDAY, the 28th December, 1895, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to September 30th, 1895, and for the Election of Directors and Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JAMES B. DUNCAN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 17, 1895. 2378

Shipping.

Steamers.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY AND MANILA.

The Steamship *Sangkiang*, Captain DODD, will be despatched TO-DAY, the 26th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 26, 1895. 2424

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR KUDAT AND SANDAKAN.

The Steamship *Memnon*, Captain BRANCH, will be despatched TO-DAY, the 26th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 26, 1895. 2144

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR WUHU (DIRECT).

The Steamship *Paoting*, Captain GYLES, will be despatched TO-DAY, the 26th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 26, 1895. 2426

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Co.'s Steamship *Haitan*, Captain ROACH, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 27th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, December 24, 1895. 2432

THE DRAGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1895.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Altmore.....	Friday.....	27th Dec.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.

The Steamship *Altmore* will be despatched hence for VICTORIA, B.C., and PORTLAND, OREGON, via KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on FRIDAY, the 27th December.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in QUADRUPLICATE, and one Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 17, 1895. 2330

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW AND CHEFOO.

The Steamship *Tamsui* will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 27th Inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 21, 1895. 2415

SHELL LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR HAVRE, LONDON AND HAMBURG.

The Co.'s Steamship *Pectan*, Capt. N. HOCKEN, will be despatched as above on or about the 27th Instant.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 10, 1895. 2321

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

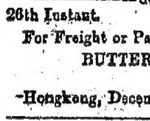
The Steamship *Merionethshire*, Captain DAVIES, will be despatched as above on or about SATURDAY, the 28th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 21, 1895. 2417

FOR CHEFOO *VIA* SHANGHAI.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to HANKOW, NEWCHWANG, KIUKIANG *and Ports on the* YANGTSZE).



The Steamship *Fuping*, Capt. LEHMANN, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 29th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 23, 1895. 2423

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR NEW YORK *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship *Peiyphanus*, Captain TOOBWIN, will be despatched as above on or about the 13th January.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 24, 1895. 2430

Shipping.

Steamers.

SHELL LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR GENOA AND MARSEILLES.

The Co.'s Steamship *Cham*, Capt. D. T. DAVIS, will be despatched as above on or about the 30th Instant.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 12, 1895. 2348

GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FOR LONDON *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship *Glenfarg*, Captain SELBY, will be despatched as above on or about FRIDAY, the 17th January.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers, and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 19, 1895. 2399

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 100 *A.I.* British Ship *Brodick Castle*, FERGUSON, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.

Hongkong, December 5, 1895. 2277

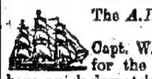
FOR NEW YORK.

The 3/3 *A.I.I.* American Ship *John R. Kelly*, Capt. CHAPMAN, having arrived, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, November 21, 1895. 2172

FOR BALTIMORE.



The *A.I.I.* American Barque *Amy Turner*, Capt. WARLAND, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, December 11, 1895. 2338

To Let.

TO LET.

LARKSPUR, UPPER RICHMOND ROAD, Seven Rooms and Tennis Lawn.

Apply to
MR. L. SIMON, *Banque de l'Indo-Chine.*

Hongkong, November 5, 1895. 2069

TO LET.

1ST FLOOR of No. 12, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, suitable for OFFICES or DWELLING ROOMS.

No. 2, DUDDELL STREET, suitable for OFFICES or DWELLING ROOMS.

No. 6, UPPER MOSQUE TERRACE, 4 ROOMS, Water and Gas laid on.

No. 25, MOSQUE STREET.

Apply to
LINSTEAD & DAVIS.

Hongkong, November 30, 1895. 2223

TO LET.

DWELLING HOUSES—
HOUSES in RIPON TERRACE.
No. 3, ALVESTON TERRACE.
OFFICES—
FIRST FLOOR, No. 7, PRAYA CENTRAL, lately occupied by Messrs. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, December 21, 1895. 251

TO LET.

NO. 3, WEST VILLAS.
No. 1, WEST TERRACE.

Apply to
G. C. ANDERSON.

Hongkong, December 4, 1895. 2264

Insurances.

UNION ASSURANCE SOCIETY.

(Instituted in the Reign of Queen Anne A.D. 1714).

CAPITAL FULLY SUBSCRIBED, £450,000.
CAPITAL PAID UP, £180,000
TOTAL INVESTED FUNDS EXCEED £2,610,000.
TOTAL ANNUAL INCOME, £774,546.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENT of the above Society in Hongkong, is prepared to issue POLICIES against FIRE on the usual terms.

HARRY WICKING,
1421 *Praya Central.*

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1894, £11,671,018 2s. 2d.
Authorised Capital.....£3,000,000.0.0
Subscribed Capital.....£2,750,000.0.0
Paid-up Capital.....£687,500.0.0
Fire Funds.....£2,410,992.7.3
Revenue Fire Branch.....£1,546,856.18.7

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the above Company we are prepared to Accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS at Current Rates.

SHEWAN & Co., *Agents.*

13 July, 1895. 1300

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COMFORTABLY FURNISHED ROOMS, with every convenience.
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MRS. STAINFIELD, *Proprietress.*

Hongkong, January 5, 1895. 98

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, can now be had at this Office.—Price, $1 each.
CHINA MAIL Office.

Intimations.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY General MEETING of the Company will be held in the BOARD ROOM of The Hongkong Dispensary, on SATURDAY, the 28th day of December, 1895, at Noon, to Confirm the Special Resolution passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting held This Day.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS,
General Manager.

Hongkong, December 11, 1895. 2373

THE NEW BALMORAL GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE First Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS called for Noon on SATURDAY, the 14th, is POSTPONED to Noon, on SATURDAY, the 28th Inst.

W. HUTTON POTTS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 11, 1895. 2334

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

NOMINATIONS for the 1896 DERBY will CLOSE to the Undersigned on SATURDAY NEXT, 28th Instant.

By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, December 23, 1895. 2425

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

No. 67.

NOTICE is hereby given that WEDNESDAY, the 1st January, 1896, will be observed as HOLIDAY, at the KOWLOON CUSTOMS OFFICE.

Work at the Opium Examination Office and Customs Stations will proceed as usual.

H. M. HILLIER,
Acting Commissioner of Customs for Kowloon and District.

CUSTOM HOUSE,
Kowloon, 26th December, 1895. 2408

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

IN accordance with Section 120 of the Articles of Association, the General Agents, with Approval of the Consulting Committee, will on the 2ND JANUARY, 1896, ISSUE INTEREST WARRANTS of $5 per SHARE, PAYABLE at the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, the same being at the Rate of 10 PER CENT. per Annum on the Paid-up Capital of the Office for the year 1895.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 31st Instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

Hongkong, December 17, 1895. 2379

FOR SALE.

Messrs. Kelly & Walsh's List

includes the following WORKS by Dr. EITEL:—

EUROPE IN CHINA: The History of Hongkong, from the beginning to the year 1882. Hongkong, 1895. $6.50.
HANDBOOK OF BUDDHISM: A Sanskrit-Chinese Dictionary. Second Edition. Hongkong, 1888. $2.50.
THREE LECTURES on BUDDHISM. Third Edition. Hongkong, 1884. $1.50.
FENGSHUI: Rudiments of Chinese Natural Science. Hongkong, 1873. $2.00.
CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTON DIALECT. Four Volumes, with Appendix. Hongkong, 1877. $10.00. Bound, $11.50.
CHINESE SCHOOLBOOKS. Translated. I. The Trimetrical Classic. II. The Thousand Words Poem. $0.50 per set.

Hongkong, August 2, 1895. 1467

NOW ON VIEW.

FINE DISPLAY OF JEWELLERY SUITABLE FOR
CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS.

Comprising RINGS, EAR-RINGS, BRACELETS, BROOCHES, SCARF-PINS, NECKLACES, LOCKETS, &c., of every Description, with or without PRECIOUS STONES.
WATCH-CHAINS of the Latest and most Fashionable Designs.
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&c., &c., &c.
Also always on hand a SELECTED ASSORTMENT of UNMOUNTED BRILLIANTS.

PRICES MODERATE.

LEVY HERMANOS.

Hongkong, December 10, 1895. 2318

PRELIMINARY ADVERTISEMENT.

A NEWSPAPER
will be published very soon,
to be called
HUMPHREYS CLOCK.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON.

Hongkong, November 27, 1895. 2206

PRIVATE BOARD and RESIDENCE for LADIES and GENTLEMEN. Special attention to Ladies' comfort. Accommodation for Table Boarders. Central situation.

MRS. MATHER,
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Hongkong, July 24, 1893. 1287

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THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,
8, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, December 20, 1895. 2404

SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Cast-off CLOTHING, BOOKS, or PAPERS will be thankfully received for the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Address: Care of SUPERINTENDENT.

Entertainments.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB WILL GIVE TWO PERFORMANCES OF ARTHUR W. PINERO'S Popular Farce

'DANDY DICK'
TO-NIGHT,
(THURSDAY), 26th Dec.
SATURDAY, 28th Dec.

Commencing each Evening at 9 p.m. precisely.

Messrs. C. H. GRACE, V. A. CÆSAR-HAWKINS, R. BURNEY, F. CLARK, S. L. DARBY, A. S. C. MANNERS and W. S. FROWD.

Mrs. J. ANDREW, Mrs. V. A. CÆSAR-HAWKINS, Miss M. DICK-MELBOURNE and Mrs. ALFRED WROTTESLEY.

TICKETS can be obtained at the Theatre Royal, CITY HALL, on and after *Thursday*, the 19th December.

Booking Office open each day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

PRICES $3.00, $2.00 and $1.00.

LATE TRAMS 15 Minutes after each Performance.

Hongkong, December 26, 1895. 2339

Notices to Consignees.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *HANKOW*,
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 21, 1895. 2418

To-day's Advertisements.

STEAMSHIP *NATAL*.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex S.S. *Guadalquivir*, from Bordeaux ex S.S. *Frederic Moret* and *Verbeckmois*, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables—are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, Ld., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon TO-DAY (Thursday), the 26th Inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after THURSDAY, the 2nd January, 1896, at Noon, will be subject to rent, and landing charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before THURSDAY, the 2nd January, 1896, or they will not be recognised.

All Damaged Packages will be examined on TUESDAY, the 31st Inst., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

C. TOURNAIRE,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, December 26, 1895. 2439

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Catherine Apcar* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after the 27th Instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the WANCHAI WAREHOUSE AND STORAGE CO., LTD., Wanchai.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their Goods from alongside; such Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 26, 1895. 2442

NOTICE

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA, MARSEILLES, LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX; AND PORTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 8th January, 1896, at Noon, the Company's S.S. *OXUS*, Commandant DUPONT, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 7th January, 1896. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars apply to the Company's Office.

C. TOURNAIRE,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, December 26, 1895. 2344

To-day's Advertisements.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

The Co.'s Steamship *Natal*, Captain VERNON, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-DAY, the 26th Instant, at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
C. TOURNAIRE, *Acting Agent.*

Hongkong, December 26, 1895. 2438

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship *Kaifong*, Captain DEWAR, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 28th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 26, 1895. 2441

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI AND CHEFOO.

The Steamship *Tamsui*, Captain PIERCE, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 28th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 26, 1895. 2427

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAIWANFOO.

The Co.'s Steamship *Thales*, Capt. BATHGATE, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 29th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, December 26, 1895. 2437

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

The Steamship *Catherine Apcar*, Capt. J. G. OLIFENT, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 31st Inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 26, 1895. 2443

Not Responsible for Debts

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

JOHN BAILEY, Amer. barquentine, Capt. F. P. Shepherd.—Captain.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

December 24:—

Marie Jebsen, German steamer, 1,807, T. C. Matthiessen, Saigon December 19, Rice.—JEBSEN & Co.

Mozotte, British steamer, 2,018, Reed, Moji December 19, Coal.—BRADLEY & Co.

December 25:—

Adowa, British steamer, from Canton.

Catherine Apcar, British steamer, 1,733, J. G. Olifent, Calcutta December 7th, Penang 14, and Singapore 17, Opium and General.—DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Bing'oe, British steamer, 1,936, A. W. S. Thomson, Amoy December 24, General.—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Wing Hong, British steamer, 217, C. B. Maddock, Swatow December 24, General.—Chi Wo & Co.

Nanyang, German steamer, 983, E. Schu'z, Wuhu and Chinkiang December 21, Rice and General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Shengking, British steamer, 1,034, A. Vardin, Shanghai December 22, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Haitan, British str., 1,186, J. S. Roach, Foochow December 22, Amoy 23, and Swatow 24, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co.

Freir, Danish steamer, 397, C. L. Strand, Pakhoi Dec. 21, and Hoihow 23, General.—A. R. MARTY.

December 26:—

Paoting, British steamer, from Canton.

Natal, French steamer, 2,455, Verron, Marseilles and Saigon December 22, Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Cassius, German steamer, 1,604, M. Unruh, Moji December 20, Coal.—LAUTS, WEGENER & Co.

Germania, German steamer, 3,737, J. Bendixen, Moji (Japan) December 20, Coal.—J. JEBSEN & Co.

DEPARTURES.

December 25:—

Taksang, for Canton.
Shengking, for Canton.
Thales, for Swatow.
Saghalien, for Europe, &c.
Michael Jebsen, for Touron.
Adowa, for Saigon.
Lennox, for Yokohama.
Sabine Rickmers, for Saigon.
Repton, for Bangkok.
Tai Fick, for Saigon.
Mayune, for Singapore and London.
Triumph, for Hoihow.
Empress of Japan, for Shanghai, &c.
Lee Sok, for Swatow.

December 26:—

Nanyang, for Canton.

CLEARED.

Tai Lee, for Swatow.
Haitoony, for Swatow.
Singkiang, for Amoy.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Marie Jebsen*, from Saigon, 100 Chinese.

Per *Catherine Apcar*, from Calcutta, &c., Messrs D. E. Daniells, Kelly, Fong Chee, Mrs Leong Shee and child, Mrs Yew Shee and child, Mr A. J. Solomon, 3 Chinese ladies, 3 Chinese gentlemen, 22 natives, and 610 Chinese.

Per *Wing Hong*, from Swatow, Mr Thomas.

Per *Shengking*, from Shanghai, Mr Maundell, and 8 Chinese.

Per *Haitan*, from Coast Ports, Mrs Roach, Mrs May, Messrs Fairhurst, Moss, and 132 Chinese.

Per *Freir*, from Pakhoi, 54 Chinese.

Per *Natal*, for Hongkong: from Marseilles, Mr E. Chenaler, Lieut. Ray, Messrs Delineau, Chin Huan Key, Chin Juin, Chin Juin Chow, and José Dan Neves y Souzi, and Mrs Leridan; from Singapore, Mr Lagarde and servant, Mr Thaler, Mrs Green, Mrs Mary West, Mr Ogdansky, Mr and Mrs Chan Tai Lam and servant, Messrs Lin Chuan Poo, Low Chyee Suang, Loo Choo and servant, and 2 Chinese; from Saigon, Mr E. Joyer and servant, and 284 Chinese. For Shanghai: from Marseilles, Mr Meillet; from Port Said, Ruben Chaoul Sassoum; from Suez, Lieut. Bohus Van Villagas. For Nagasaki: from Singapore, Mrs Omoksay, Mrs Otooku, and Mrs Oh Kesan. For Kobe: from Saigon, Mr Jakeonty. For Yokohama: from Marseilles, Mr Jacques and servant, Mr Karlzove, Mr and Mrs Ilumine, and Mr Clayton; from Singapore, Sisters Domitine and Ste. Bernardin; from Saigon, Dr Moore and servant, Mr. Grandorge.

DEPARTED.

Per *Meyune*, from Hongkong: for Singapore, Mr J. M. Thow. From Shanghai: for London, Mr W. Bates, and 2 other gentlemen.

Per *Thales*, for Swatow, Mr and Mrs Yue Pack Sang, and Mr Lee Pat Ng.

Per *Empress of Japan*, for Shanghai, Messrs A. K. Holman, Eldridge, L. Orielle, Surg.-Major James; for Kobe, Dr Von Forrester, Mr Von Forrester, Miss Tei Zukuki; for Yokohama, Mr G. Galy; for Portland, Mrs Chin Back Joy, Miss Chin Chew Far; for Astoria, Mr Chen Jor, Mrs Tai Ho, Miss Afong, Miss Achung. For San Francisco: from Yokohama, Rev. and Mrs G. W. Morrison and 2 children. For London: from Hongkong, Capt. Stewart.

Per *Zafiro*, for Manila, Messrs Richards, J. A. Pfuetzner, R. H. Wright and R. H. Carper.

Per *Saghalien*, from Hongkong: for Saigon, Rev. J. B. Clair, Messrs J. Cauvin, F. Woelz, Chu and servant, Kiau Hong and servant, Keat Cheong and servant, and 30 Chinese; for Singapore, Messrs G. A. O. Ward, E. Roenard, Mrs Elsa Iovesko, Mr and Mrs R. R. Abbey, Mr and Mrs Arnold and 3 children, and 7 Chinese; for Batavia, Messrs M. Hauschild, Francisco Newton, and 5 Chinese; for Marseilles, Mr and Mrs Lyaudet and child, Mr Leon Michelot, Colonel St. Paul, Commander W. Roudneff, G. de Champeaux, A. Stewart, N. Sorensen and E. J. Moss. From Shanghai: for Saigon, l'Admiral de Beaumont, Capt. Bonnifay, and Mr. Cordera; for Marseilles, Mr Landauer, Mr and Mrs Otto Mirelsky, Messrs Le Gonel, Aubry Victor, Le Madel, Caudon, Brobecker, Lieut. R. Maudet, Ensign Houard, Mr and Mrs von Brockdorff and 2 children, and Mr Breton Eugene. From Yokohama: for Singapore, Messrs Tanzima, C. Ferrari; for Marseilles, Mr, Mrs and Miss King and servant. From Kobe: for Marseilles, Messrs Levat, Sabachnikoff, F. Martin and Fougerand. From Nagasaki: for Singapore, Mr C. Rieger, Mrs Hirano, Mr Nagatoya; for Suez, Mr Shapoulis; for Port Said, Mr Craval; for Marseilles, Mr Vitte, and 74 French Marines.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Mascotte* reports: Had moderate to fresh N.E. to E.N.E. monsoon, with slight rain showers.

The British steamer *Catherine Apcar* reports: Left Calcutta on the 7th December, Penang on the 14th, and Singapore on the 17th; after leaving Singapore experienced strong N.E. winds and heavy sea throughout, with occasional rain squalls.

The German steamer *Nanyang* reports: Had light and moderate N.E. breeze till Nam Ki Island, from there to Oksau, strong N.E. winds, with rain squalls from Chapel Island to port, light N.N.E. breeze.

The British steamer *Shengking* reports: Had moderate N.E. gale and high following sea in the Formosa Channel.

The British steamer *Haitan* reports: Had strong monsoon and high sea to Swatow. From Swatow moderate winds, and dull overcast weather to port.

The Danish steamer *Freir* reports: Had strong monsoon from Haitan Strait to St. Johns; from there to port moderate.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.—
Per s.s. *Natal*, on Thursday, the 26th instant. For Shanghai.—Registry from 3 to 3.30 p.m. Mail closes at 4 p.m. Late Letters received from 4.10 to 4.30 p.m. with 10 cents Late Fee. For Japan.—Registry from 3 to 3.30 p.m. Mail closes at 4.30 p.m. The Office will be open from 3 to 4.30 p.m.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.—
Per *Haitan*, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 27th inst.

For SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA, WASH.
Per *Hankow*, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the 27th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For SHANGHAI & CHEFOO.—
Per *Fu-ping*, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 28th inst.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.—The United States Mail Packet *Coptic* will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 27th instant, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—

11 A.M. Registry ceases.
11.30 A.M. Post Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet, *with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage* until the time of departure.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—*Haitan* leaves for Coast Ports.

Noon.—Occidental & Oriental S.S. Co.'s Steamer *Coptic* leaves for Japan and San Francisco.

Tamsui leaves for Swatow, &c.

Altmore leaves for Victoria (B.C.), &c.

Meetings.

Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Dairy Farm Co., Ltd., at the Telegraph House.

8.30 p.m.—Meeting of Zetland Lodge.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per *Catherine Apcar* undelivered after this date landed.

Goods per *Sachsen* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY
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FRY'S CHOCOLATES,
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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
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Hongkong, November 30, 1895. 2228

The publication of this issue commenced at 2.45 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1895.

SIR HARRY PARKES once said negotiating with the Tsung-li Yamen was pouring water into a sieve; after arguing all day long to make anything clear to them, they blandly reiterate what they said at the first, as if they had never heard a word of all the arguments. Sir William Robinson finds it the same with the Tung Wa Committee. When the plague broke out last year, it was discovered that there had been several cases at the Tung Wa hospital, and that they had passed unnoticed because there was nobody on the Tung Wa staff capable of noticing such things. Therefore some such man must be appointed on the staff. Surely that is logic simple enough for babes and sucklings to comprehend. The Tung Wa Committee were informed, no doubt very politely and deferentially, by the Registrar General, that H. E. the Governor desired a Chinese doctor of Western training to be put on the staff. The Committee did not awake to the fact that His Excellency's wishes must be law to them, under their charter of incorporation; and not feeling compelled to obey, they did not feel inclined to adopt his courteous advice. They have no argument against it at all; but they put forward a general plea that the idea was new, and as they would like time to consider. It is an impertinence for them to talk of considering whether or not they will do as they are told; it is not their hospital, not founded with their money, and even if it had been so, the matter is pressing and indisputably necessary. The Registrar-General, however, managed to obtain for them ample time to consider, and now they still object. They still have no plea except that of innovation, which has ceased to be a valid plea. The plain fact that they have not yet discovered any further arguments proves that they have no case at all; and it is ridiculous to go on arguing with such people. The Governor has done quite right to put his foot down firmly; his decision is the best he could possibly have made, and if he had announced it sooner—at the outset, in fact—it would probably have been just as well.

That was the principal point of the discussion on Monday, when the Tung Wa Committee formed a deputation to His Excellency. The other points—about removal of screens, establishment of stores, latrines, etc.—were all minor phases of the same general question, whether the Tung Wa is to be a hospital or a den of disease, whether public land and public money are to be given over to a body of ignorant, obstinate Chinese to dispose of as they think fit. There was one other point, as to the forcible removal of patients, which may be passed over as an incident not likely to occur again. It was an unfortunate blunder to remove a patient against his will, for though of course the reasons were perfectly unassailable, the result was more harm than good; the sufferers had a valid cause for complaint, and the masses of the Chinese population are liable to be prejudiced against an institution where such things have been done. His Excellency has made haste to repair the mistake, and he has done well. On the whole, his address to the Tung Wa is one of the best and most admirable we have ever yet read from him.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

OUTWARD BOUND:—*Tientsin*, Oct. 25; *Fallodon Hall*, Nov. 1; *Stentor*, *St. Regulus*, 5; *St. Andrews*, 12; *Wuhu*, *Teresa*, 22; *Oopack*, Dec. 22.

HOMEWARD BOUND:—*Frigga*, Nov. 12; *Carmarthenshire*, 17; *Bombay*, 19; *Oceanien*, *Braemar*, *Ormiston*, 22.

The P. and O. Co.'s steamship *Peshawur*, with the ENGLISH MAIL of 29th November, left Singapore on Sunday, Dec. 22, at 4 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Friday, December 27. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 24th October.

The P. M. s.s. *City of Rio de Janeiro*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 30th ulto., left Nagasaki for this port on the 25th inst.

The s. s. *Tacoma* left Tacoma on the 8th inst., for this port.

The O. & O. steamship *Gaelic*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama and Nagasaki, on the 10th inst.

The P. & O. s.s. *Brindisi* left Singapore on the 19th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 26th inst.

The P. & O. s. s. *Palawan* left Singapore on the 20th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 27th inst.

The N. G. L. s. s. *Lelimbro* left Singapore on the 20th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 27th inst.

The s. s. *Merionethshire* left Singapore on the 20th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 27th inst.

The China Mutual s. s. *Ningchow*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore on the 21st inst., and may be expected here on or about the 27th inst.

The O. S. S. Co.'s s. s. *Pyrrhus*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 23rd inst., and may be expected here on or about the 29th inst.

The steamer *Wingsang*, from Calcutta and Straits, left Singapore on the 24th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 31st inst.

The s. s. *Glenartney*, from Antwerp London and Straits, left Singapore on the 24th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 31st inst.

The C. N. Co.'s s. s. *Chingtu* left Port Darwin on the 23rd inst., and may be expected here on or about the 1st Jan.

THE delivery of the French mail was begun at 10.05 a.m.

THE P. M. s. s. *City of Rio de Janeiro*, with mails, &c., left Nagasaki for this port yesterday, the 25th inst., at 7 p.m.

THE s.s. *Wingsang*, from Calcutta and Straits, left Singapore for this port on Tuesday, the 24th inst., at 6 p.m.

THE C. N. Co.'s s. s. *Chingtu* left Port Darwin on the 23rd inst., and may be expected here on or about the 1st Jan.

THE s.s. *Glenartney*, from Antwerp, London and Straits, left Singapore for this port on Tuesday afternoon, the 24th inst.

DRAPERY pays. The late Peter Robinson's personalty is sworn at £1,119,000. Yet there are some people who profess to despise drapers!

A COLOMBO Garrison order was issued on the 4th inst. to the effect that Lieut. Nugent, R. E., was to proceed to Hongkong at the first opportunity.

TO-MORROW afternoon D Company, R.E., will play Kowloon F. C. at the Happy Valley in the Cup Competition. Kick-off at 4.15. Referee—Mr P. G. Davies, R.A.

THE Captain China at Sourabaya has been arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the making of counterfeit Java Bank notes. He is one of the richest Chinamen in Java.

A NORWEGIAN seaman, in trying to step on board a sampan to return to his ship last night, fell into the water and was drowned. The body was recovered shortly afterwards, and an inquest is to be held.

VESSELS IN THE DOCKS:—At *Kowloon*—H. I. G. M. S. Irene, Reina Cristina, Hankow, Amoy, Oslo, Kong Beng, Strathdee, Bygdo, Doris.
Cosmopolitan—Belgic.
Aberdeen—(none).

THE Victorian authorities have tried to raise a puff of wind by putting advertisements for large beer and tobacco on their post cards. A deputation has protested against the inartistic cards. This is certainly advertising carried to extremes.

Two privates of the Rifle Brigade who had kept the festive season too festively got into trouble with the police, and were fined $10 each at the Magistracy for assault, in addition to the normal penalty for 'plain drunk,' which was the fate of half a dozen other roysterers.

ONE W. J. C. L. C. De Valnes van Brakel Buys, of Singapore, has taken out a permit to fish for pearl shell, mother-of-pearl, and tripang in the territorial waters of the Tenimber and Aru islands, in the Moluccas, and in those of the Great Paternoster islands (Celebes). Why doesn't he call himself 'Willie' for short, and let it stand at that?

WITH reference to a golf competition at Singapore, the *Straits Times* says:—The rumour that the inkpot, won on Saturday by Mr Hooper, was purchased from the Hongkong Government is erroneous. The Hongkong Government has an inkpot for sale, but the price is beyond what the Singapore Golf Club can afford—unless, perhaps, for the Championship of the East.

OWING to increase of Business, W. Robinson and Co. have removed their Piano and Organ showrooms to Connaught House—large stock—low prices.

A SINGAPORE paper announces that 'the floating dock at Sourabaya has sunk.' But if it has sunk how can it be a floating dock?

ON Christmas Eve, about 6.30 p.m., fire broke out at West Point, in an eating-house in Shik Chan Lane. The ground floor was practically destroyed, and the flames spread to the ground floor of the next house. Further damage was prevented by the Fire Brigade. The cause of the fire is supposed to have been a lighted candle falling among some firewood, accidentally of course. Insurance $5,000, with Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.

IN his recent address to the Edinburgh Philosophical Institution, Mr Bayard, the American Ambassador to England, declared that the policy of protection had done much to throw the legislation of the United States into the political market, where jobbers and chafferers took the place of statesmen. After the experience of the past few days, putting aside all previous knowledge of the corrupt state of American politics, one's opinion of American statesmanship need not be flattering, and it is satisfactory to know that an American holding the high and responsible position of Minister to England has the courage to express, candidly and freely, his opinion of the politicians of his own country. There is need for a wholesome regeneration of the whole system of United States politics.

RUMOURED STRANDING OF THE *TETARTOS*.

There was a rumour in town to-day that the steamer *Tetartos* had gone ashore on the Pan Reef, near Singapore. The *Tetartos*, which left Hongkong on the 15th inst., was on a voyage from Hongkong to Singapore and Penang. She was chartered by Mr Ah Yong from Messrs Siemssen and Co.

Since writing the above we have learned from Mr Ah Yong that the *Tetartos* touched the reef on the 20th inst., but did not strand. She was then three hours' sail from Singapore, where she has arrived. The passengers and cargo are safe.

MR David Plunket has assumed the title of Baron Rathmore, the Baron de Worms becomes Baron Pirbright, and Sir Algernon Borthwick becomes Baron Glenesk.

IT is stated that Dr. W. G. Grace has lodged his £5,000 *Daily Telegraph* testimonial with a well-known Insurance Company in England for the purchase of an Endowment Policy, payable in fifteen years' time.

A RECENT issue of the *Rangoon Gazette* says:—Rev. Mr Upcraft, who has been thirteen years a missionary in China, is in Rangoon on his way to China by way of Burma. He and his companion missionary have been run out of China by the recent riots. He has been several times the victim of Chinese rioters and he will relate these experiences at the Methodist Church at the Sunday evening service.

WE noticed a little time ago the safe arrival at Srinagar of Mr and Mrs Littledale, after an adventurous journey through Tibet starting from a point in Chinese Turkistan west of Lob Nor. The travellers proceeded south to within two days' march of Lhasa. Here they were stopped and a month was spent in an altercation with the Lamas who proved obdurate. There was nothing for it but to abandon the attempt to reach the sacred city and Mr Littledale decided to make for Leh. He took Nain Singh's route passing Rudok and camped on one occasion at Gagalinchin on the shores of the big lake, Garing Cho, the existence of which was made known by Captain Bower. He also halted at Tengri Nor lake, discovered by Nain Singh in 1875.—*Rangoon Gazette.*

THE Rev. A. Garney Goldsmith, the Missions to Seamen Chaplain at Hongkong, who is at present recruiting his health in this country, is very anxious that some further provision should be made for the welfare and protection of the large number of British seamen who frequent Chinese waters, so he is endeavouring during his stay in England to raise £2,600 in order to erect a large sailors' coffee-house at Hongkong, where seamen of all creeds can assemble for mutual intercourse and innocent recreation, and be free from the many evil influences which beset them when ashore at Hongkong and other Chinese ports. The agents of the Missions to Seamen are engaged in a useful and successful work among the seamen frequenting ports in the China seas. There are three sailors' reading rooms at Hongkong, while helpful work is carried on at Shanghai and other Chinese ports.

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THE death of Mr George Augustus Sala, the famous journalist, was expected some weeks since. His health had broken up completely, and tumour on the liver developed. Only a few months ago financial troubles brought him into the bankruptcy court, much to the surprise of most people, for he had been earning a big income for years. But he spent freely, and a great part of his savings, too, must have been lost in the unsuccessful attempt to make his weekly paper popular. Sala, though born in London, had very little British blood in his veins, his father being Italian and his mother of West Indian origin. He was born in 1828, and while still a young man made his mark in the journalistic world. For over thirty years he was one of the guiding spirits of the *Daily Telegraph*, on which paper nearly all the more recent writers framed their style on his, which was the original so-called 'Telegraphese.' For many years also he wrote 'Echoes of the Week' for the *Illustrated London News*, and afterwards for a newspaper agency. Several of his contributions as special correspondent to various newspapers have been published in book form.

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CHRISTMAS.

Christmas Day was favoured by magnificent weather, bright and sunny, if anything too warm, with a light breeze. The warships and a few of the merchant ships and launches in the harbour were decorated, but there was less display than usual. At the Sailors' Home the festival was honoured in the good old style; the decorations were beautiful and homelike—for Christmas is above all a reminder of home. In the evening a very enjoyable entertainment was held in the Home. The Rev. A. Iliff (who took a great part in organising the festivities) presided, and there was a large attendance. Near the platform was a splendid working model of a full-rigged brig, some 10 feet long. During the evening, a gorgeous aggregation of Christmas-boxes were drawn for and distributed among the audience. ——The police held 'high jinks' at the Central Station and Tsim-sa-tsui, and the fleet and garrison also did their best to give Christmas its due.——Services were held at most of the churches, the carol-singing at the Cathedral being especially excellent.

CONCERT AT THE GOVERNMENT CIVIL HOSPITAL.

In the afternoon a concert was given for the delectation of the patients in the Government Civil Hospital. The invitation reached us too late to enable us to make arrangements for attending, and so we are compelled to content ourselves by publishing the programme which had been arranged through the personal efforts of the Acting Colonial Surgeon, Dr J. M. Atkinson:—

PART I.

1.—Overture......'Adèle' ....*Lysberg.* Miss EYRE.
2.—Song 'Herrings are in the bay' *Molloy.* Mr W. E. CROW.
3.—Vocal Duet { 'In the dusk of the Twilight,' } *Offenbach.* Mrs A. P. WELMAN and Mrs COOPER.
4.—Song...'The Romany Lass'..*S. Adams.* Hon. J. H. STEWART-LOCKHART.
5.—Violin Solo ...'Air Varié' ......*Bellini.* Master M. ROBINSON.
6.—Song ...'The Old Countree' ...*Pinsuti.* Mrs CRADDOCK.
7.—Song ...''Appy 'Ampstead' ...*Chevalier.* Mr A. H. GRAYSON, R.A.

PART II.

1.—Overture .... Mrs CLARK.
2.—Song 'An Old English Song'...*Bishop.* Hon. W. M. GOODMAN.
3.—Song...'Douglas Gordon' ......*L. Kellie.* Mrs A. P. WELMAN.
4.—Song { 'I love a lovely girl I do' } *Stratton.* Mr A. H. GRAYSON, R.A.
5.—Violin Duet...'The Sylvan Queen'...... The Misses DODWELL.
6.—Song 'If I had a thousand a year' *Anon.* Mr SPRIGGS.
7.—Part Song 'Christmas Song'......*Anon.* God Save the Queen.

CRICKET.

HONGKONG C.C. v. THE UNITED SERVICES.

This match, one of the most important of the season, was commenced at the Cricket Ground yesterday and was continued to-day in pleasant weather. Both teams were representative.

Winning the toss, the Club batted first, Ellis and Hancock starting. Runs came slowly, and at the 67 Hancock was caught at the wicket. Ellis was joined by Firth, and 100 went up without any separation. After playing very steady cricket without giving a chance, Ellis left at 111. Firth played an excellent innings for 66, and Sercombe Smith, who went in late, contributed a useful 24 not out. The Services' fielding was fairly good. Eccles at point brought off a fine left-handed catch, high up, and Holland caught Anton splendidly at cover point. Private Green, who sent down no less than 32 overs, secured 4 wickets for 42 runs. He kept a good length all through, and was always difficult to play. Vallings' 4 wickets cost 65 runs.

The Services started badly, and were all out just before time on Christmas Day for 111. The only man who showed good form was Capt. Eccles, who hit hard for his 39, but was ultimately caught magnificently by F. Maitland at mid-off. Vallings rattled up runs, but not in his best style. Sercombe Smith had an excellent bowling average, capturing 6 wickets for 47 runs. The fielding was very good.

This morning, the Services did not improve much upon yesterday's form, and at tiffin time had only 92 runs for six wickets. Hancock was bowling unusually well, and had 6 wickets for 38 runs at the adjournment.

The following are the scores:—

HONGKONG C.C.

E. C. Ellis, b Green	45
R. H. Hancock, c Paley, b Alexander	40
C. M. Firth, c Alexander, b Vallings	66
F. Maitland, c Eccles, b Green	3
E. W. Maitland, c Dyson, b Vallings	12
A. S. Anton, c Holland, b Green	5
E. A. Ram, b Green	6
J. R. Gillingham, c Oldham, b Vallings	18
T. S. Smith, not out	24
H. Arthur, b Alexander	3
B. P. Sheldon, c Campbell, b Vallings	3
Extras	9
Total	234

SERVICES.—FIRST INNINGS.

G. D. Campbell, H.K.R., c F. Maitland, b E. W. Maitland	12
S. E. Holland, R.B., b Smith	0
Rev. G. Vallings, c Ellis, b Smith	28
Capt. Dyson, A.P.D., b Smith	6
Capt. Grafton, R.N., run out	7
Lieut. A. H. Oldham, R.N., b Smith	3
Capt. Eccles, R.B., c F. Maitland, b Hancock	39
Lieut. F. A. Powlett, R.N., c and b Smith	7
R. Alexander, R.B., not out	6
G. Paley, R.B., b Smith	0
Private Green, R.B., absent	—
Extras	8
Total	111

SECOND INNINGS.

G. D. Campbell, not out	41
Capt. Eccles, c Gillingham, b Hancock	7
Rev. G. Vallings, b Hancock	1
S. E. Holland, b Hancock	3
Capt. Dyson, b Smith, b Hancock	5
Capt. Grafton, c E. W. Maitland, b Hancock	10
R. Alexander, not out	2
Lieut. Oldham, b Hancock	2
Extras	12
Total for six wickets	92

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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL.']

LONDON, Dec. 23, 1895.

THE VENEZUELAN DIFFICULTY—BETTER NEWS FROM AMERICA.

The New York market has recovered, closing strong. The feeling in America is decidedly calmer and more friendly to Great Britain, as notably exemplified by the *New York Tribune*, which has entirely changed its note and urges peace. Pulpit utterances throughout America deprecate war.

LONDON, Dec. 24, 1895.

GREAT BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES.

President Cleveland's political and financial discredit is increasing. The markets are improving, but continue sensitive.

It is believed in Washington that a peaceful and honourable settlement of the Venezuelan difficulty will eventually be arranged.

(*Special Telegram to the Singapore Free Press*).

HYDROPHOBIA IN PERAK—MR C. C. SCOTT BITTEN.

Taiping, Perak, Dec. 16.

Mr C. C. Scott, the Inspector of Mines at Tapah, Perak, was bitten on Saturday last by a rabid dog and goes to Saigon at the Government expense. All dogs in that district have been ordered to be destroyed.

(*From Tonkin Exchanges.*)

TONKINESE SOLDIERS.

PARIS, Dec. 13.

A battalion of Tonkinese will be raised to supplement the present military forces in Tonkin.

SERIOUS ITALIAN LOSSES IN ABYSSINIA.

The Italians have lost 2,000 men at Ambalagi.

[Another Havas telegram says the loss is only 1200 native troops.]

THE CZAREWITCH.

PARIS, Dec. 16.

The Czarewitch is seriously ill, and has gone to Nice.

ANOTHER SPANISH DISASTER IN CUBA.

Eight hundred Cuban insurgents surprised a party of seventy Spanish soldiers, whom they annihilated and put to death, in spite of a heroic defence.

TERRIBLE MASSACRE NEAR ZANZIBAR.

PARIS, Dec. 17.

Near Zanzibar, the Marai tribe massacred a caravan of 1,100 persons returning from Elboma.

MR JUSTICE LEACH AND MR T. H. WHITEHEAD.

'The Moralist' writes as follows in the *Straits Times*:—

It is useful (although scarcely customary) that a colonial judge should have, when he is appointed, a working knowledge of law; and having such a knowledge must have made life easier to Mr Justice Leach. That knowledge he partly acquired in Hongkong, where he practised at the bar, filled some acting legal appointments, and won a reputation as a good cricketer and an improving golfer. But the latter reputation he has scarcely justified; for, notwithstanding most arduous persistence, he scarcely plays the royal game any better than when he landed in Singapore. The inference is that he should go home to play in England or Scotland; but I don't think he can get leave till the autumn of 1897 at the soonest. In the interval he will probably take to cycling.

The Hon. T. H. Whitehead of Hongkong evidently does not mind being scourged with scorpions. He quite meekly submitted to the Governor's scathing strictures on the character of certain questions that he ventured to address to the Government. He listened unprotestingly to those questions being described as 'aimless and useless.' Now had the hon. member been ready witted on that occasion, His Excellency would have had a bad five minutes. Mr Whitehead might have said:—'Sir, it may not be pleasing to the Government that, on behalf of the public, I should embarrass you by awkward interrogations, but I would respectfully submit that, in describing my questions as aimless and useless, you are yourself engaging in an aimless and useless proceeding; and, more than that, you are adopting a highly undignified and unwarrantable attitude towards members of Council. It is the Government's business to furnish the information desired or to refuse to do so; but, to prepare the information and then to say that the question is aimless and useless seems weak.' But Mr Whitehead, Trojan though he be, is Trojan only when he has his speech in manuscript before him. Words [illegible] like sparks red-hot from the anvil of his brain.

LABUAN AS A POSSIBLE COALING STATION.

ADMIRAL BULLER ON BORNEO MINES.

The *Alacrity*, with Admiral and Mrs Buller on board, arrived at Labuan on the evening of the 7th instant; and next day, the Admiral, the Captain, and three of his officers visited the New Central Borneo Coy's Coal Mines. On leaving they expressed themselves very much pleased with what they had seen, and much interested in the progress made during the past 18 months. The Admiral says that the Mines now present a very different aspect as contrasted with their appearance twenty years ago, when he visited them last, and he was evidently impressed with the importance of Labuan as a probable coaling station in the future.—*Straits Times.*

HOW THE FAR EAST INDEMNITY WAS HANDED OVER.

An unpretentious ceremony, which took place at the Bank of England on the 16th ultimo, afforded striking evidence of the fact that London is the centre of the monetary world. Here were assembled representatives of China and Japan, the former to hand over and the latter to receive, a cheque for £4,900,000 odd, the price of the evacuation of the Liao-Tong Peninsula by the Japanese troops within three months of such payment. Mr Horace G. Bowen, the Chief Cashier of the Bank of England, was present with the cheque for £4,900,000, representing the gold which had been paid into the Bank to China's credit. This cheque he handed to China's representative, who, with a grave bow, handed it to Japan's representative, who handed it back to Mr Bowen, who, in his turn, walked to another office and paid it into the credit of the Japanese Government, where it will lie until drawn against. A few weeks ago a somewhat similar procedure was gone through when China paid £8,000,000 on account of the £32,000,000 due to Japan as war indemnity, and thrice again, it is to be presumed, these gentlemen will meet at the Bank and go through the same performance. Of the £37,000,000 which will thus have been placed to the credit of Japan at the Bank of England, at least £30,000,000 will, the *Daily Graphic* states on good authority, be spent on armaments, mainly warships, and of this amount a large proportion will go to British manufacturers.

THE MASSACRE IN BRITISH NORTH BORNEO.

The Lubuan correspondent of the *Singapore Free Press* writes as follows:—

The arrival here of your issue of the 11th of November containing an extract from the *China Mail* which purports to give an account of a massacre in North Borneo of some Manila deserters, in which a party from a Spanish gunboat had the assistance of the local police, aroused a considerable sensation in the Colony, for, although in frequent communication with Sandakan, this was the first we had heard of it. I have reason to believe that the story as told is grossly inaccurate, more possibly in what it suggests than in what it states. The Borneo police were sent to discover the whereabouts of a gang of military mutineers, who were also murderers and thieves, and were armed. It is not true as implied that the Resident accompanied them or was cognisant of what happened. They found the men in a very strong position in the neighbourhood of villages which have always borne a bad character, and which were then in a state of the greatest alarm and excitement. The mutineers were eventually persuaded to lay down their arms and surrender unconditionally, which they did. But when they were going to be handed over to Spanish custody they got frightened and ran, and it was then that the Spaniards, without any directions from the Borneo police, and without its being suspected that they would do so, fired on them. It is true that the Spanish Gunboat hoisted a British flag, but this was not done at the instance or with the knowledge of the police, nor could either police or mutineers see it, I am told. When the Spaniards commenced firing a few of the Police became excited and followed their example, as Dyaks almost always will, but were stopped as quickly as possible by the officer in charge. The horrible story of the Dyaks finishing off the wounded men and pulling after them in the water for any other purpose than to pick them up is, I believe, entirely false. The deduction from the nature of the wounds is false. But few shots were fired by Dyaks, nor is it likely that one took effect. No Dyak can hold a gun straight when excited.

It is not a pleasant story but it must be remembered that these men were soldiers who had murdered their officers, stolen and carried off some women, mutinied, and deserted in full uniform and fully equipped, and were stated to be picked shots. They were the gravest danger in the district, never a very peaceful one, and there could be no question of their guilt. I know a good deal about Borneo and its officials and I am certain that the mutineers were not deceived, but chose unconditional surrender in preference to being attacked. I understand too that the Borneo authorities entirely disclaim and strongly reprobate the action of the Spaniards.

THE BURNING OF THE 'AVOCA.'

ARRIVAL OF THE CREW.

On the 16th inst., the Captain and crew of the *Avoca*, that some time ago was burnt at sea, arrived at Singapore from Batavia by the *General Pel*. From Captain Millichap, who was in command of the ill-fated vessel, our representative has obtained the following details of the catastrophe. The *Avoca* left Calcutta with a cargo of jute, for Boulogne on October 5th. All went well until the 27th when, in lat. 3 S. and long. 90 E., the first indications of fire were observed, smoke issuing from one of the air shafts. Means were at once taken to subdue what did not threaten to be a very serious outbreak, and after about an hour's work it seemed as though the efforts of the crew were rewarded by success, as the smoke ceased to appear from that shaft. On taking off the main hatch, however, dense volumes of smoke at once enveloped the ship, and though the cargo in the square of the hatch appeared to be quite untouched, the seat of the conflagration was indicated in the fore end. Hose was got out, and patent extinguishers, and while these attempts to stay the fire were made the cargo in the main hold was jettisoned as rapidly as possible. The work was one of much difficulty and not a little danger as the smoke was blinding in its denseness. Again and again the men were driven from their labours, and when later in the day flames were seen issuing from the lower hold, there was little hope of effectually preventing the spread of the fire. Nevertheless, all on board stuck manfully to their duty, and worked night and day in their efforts to save the ship. Recognising that but a small chance remained of conquering the devouring element, the Captain headed the ship, under all sail, to the Eastward steering for the West Coast of Sumatra which was the nearest land. The three boats were provisioned for forty or fifty days, one being lowered and towed astern on the first alarm, and the other two held in readiness with the davits swung outboard. Fortunately, the weather was brilliantly fine, and the flames got little assistance from the light airs that were blowing. On the 28th, after incessant exertions, all the boats were lowered and the Captain's wife and most of the crew left the ship, as, at that time, the forepart of the vessel was in flames. The Captain and mate remained on board as long as their physical endurance could stand it and then abandoned their blazing craft. During the night of the 28th the ship presented a weird and splendid spectacle, the lurid flames enveloping her masts and rising to a height of thirty or forty feet. The 29th, when the boats finally left the scene of the calamity, was squally and wet, but afterwards the calmest of the weather prevailed and really the only abnormal discomfort suffered was the intense heat. The three boats parted company on the first night, the intention being to make for Padang, distant 800 miles in an E.N.E. direction. On November 1st Capt. Millichap sighted the second mate's boat, but they again separated on the following day. At 6.15 on the morning of 4th November, the ship *Vimeira* was signalled, and at 10 o'clock those in the gig were taken on board. At the same time the second mate's boat was sighted from aloft and in two hours another nine of the total complement of twenty-seven were rescued. Owing to adverse winds, the *Vimeira* took thirty-seven days from this spot to reach Batavia. The Captain and all the men speak in high terms of the kindly treatment that they received on board. Mrs Millichap, we are glad to say, did not seriously suffer from the prolonged exposure to the torrid sun in the open boat. The chief mate's boat, after thirteen days' voyage, safely reached Padang on the 9th November. The *Avoca* was a full-rigged ship of 1,625 tons register, owned by James Nourse of London. She has hitherto been employed as an emigrant ship between the East and West Indies, and on her last voyage had 640 souls on board. Happily on this occasion she carried no passengers. It is probable that an enquiry will be held here.—*Straits Times.*

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AN ASIATIC DEPARTMENT.

Sir Lepel Griffin is still busy urging on legislators at home the necessity for a change in the mode in which British affairs in the East are controlled. As our readers will recollect the substance of his proposals is to establish an Asiatic Department, with a Secretary of State of its own. The Secretary of State for India is to remain undisturbed, but Sir Lepel Griffin proposes to remove Burma from his control, and to place this province and the various Colonial possessions in the East, under the new Department, which shall also superintend all British interests in Asia outside of India. Though Burma is naturally a part of Indo-China, it is very unlikely that it will be separated from India. The subjugation of the tribes between Burma and India, and the near approach of the day when a railway shall unite this province to India, are drawing us closer to India. The Secretary of State and his advisers are unlikely to advocate the separation of the most promising province in the Empire, and it is not clear that Burma would gain very much by the change. The main idea of Sir Lepel Griffin is an admirable one. The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has an almost superhuman task. The problems in Asia, outside of India, are now sufficiently numerous and complicated to justify the formation of a special department to deal with them. There are problems in Siam, in Persia, in China, and it is almost impossible that, in the multiplicity of duties that Lord Salisbury has, some of these must not be neglected. Sir Lepel Griffin thinks British interests in Persia have been mismanaged through ignorance. Some division of labour certainly seems necessary.—*Rangoon Gazette.*

THE DISASTER TO *EDGAR'S* LAUNCH.

The Secretary to the Admiralty regrets to have to announce that a telegram has been received from H.M.S. *Edgar* reporting that forty-eight persons lost their lives on 13th Nov. through the foundering of a pulling launch whilst exercising a landing party.

Great anxiety has been caused at Devonport by the news. The *Edgar* was commissioned at Devonport, and a large portion of her crew belonged to that port. Some painful scenes occurred on the 16th as the names of those who perished in the disaster were read to the crowd assembled round the Naval Commander-in-Chief's office. In all the places of worship in Devonport and the neighbourhood reference was on 17th ult. made to the disaster, and in some cases the 'Dead March' in *Saul* was played.

The Queen has sent a message to the First Lord of the Admiralty, expressing her grief at the accident on the China Station and the loss of so many poor men. Her Majesty asks for any further details, and wishes her sympathy conveyed to the bereaved families.

Steps are being taken at Devonport to raise funds for the relief of the widows and families of those who lost their lives in the *Edgar* disaster. On 19th a meeting of the Three Towns' branch of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Families Society was held, with the Countess of Morley in the chair, to adopt preliminary measures for affording relief. The following day a meeting of naval and military officers was held at Admiralty House, by invitation of Sir Algernon Lyons, the naval Commander-in-Chief, to take steps for starting a relief fund in connection with the disaster. Admiral Sir Algernon Lyons said it appeared that only four of the men who had been lost were married, and three of these belonged to Stonehouse and Devonport, the fourth being a Cornishman. A very large proportion of those who lost their lives were apparently young men who, for the most part, remitted to their mothers. On Sunday he received a letter from the Earl of Clanwilliam, one of the Commissioners of the Patriotic Fund, offering their services in connection with the administration of any fund raised for the relatives of the deceased. He had received a letter from Lord Clanwilliam that morning in which he said the Admiralty would allow the allotments to continue in force for two months. The question was what to do with any subscriptions raised, whether they should be sent to the Patriotic Fund or given to the Soldiers' and Sailors' Families Association. He thought it would be a good plan to give the money to that association for distribution. Mr H. Williams said in the case of the *Serpent* the country raised £17,000 for immediate relief, but the Patriotic Commissioners kept the money for four and a half months before they distributed one penny. It would be far better to give any funds to the Soldiers' and Sailors' Association to administer, not only locally, but through various agencies, in other parts of the country. Captain W. L. Lang said he should certainly not give the money to the Patriotic Fund Commissioners for distribution. Rear-Admiral E. J. Church then proposed that the fund raised should be given to the Soldiers' and Sailors' Association. Petty Officer Mackee, of the *Impregnable*, seconded the motion, which was agreed to.

Miss Agnes E. Weston also appeals for funds. 'I do not ask for help, but if any is sent to me I shall use every penny of it for the immediate needs of these sorrowful ones, who are all well known to me.'

LATE TELEGRAMS.

(*Via Rangoon.*)

ELECTION NEWS.

London, December 7.—Mr Tankerville Chamberlayne, Unionist member for Southampton, has been unseated for bribery. Mr William E. H. Lecky, the historian, Unionist candidate, has been elected for Dublin University replacing the Right Hon. David Plunket, raised to the peerage, and defeating by a large majority Mr George Wright, Q. C., also a Unionist.

THE ITALIAN CAMPAIGN IN ABYSSINIA.

Rome, December 10.—Later advices from Abyssinia state that seventeen Italian officers and forty non-commissioned officers, besides a mountain battery with Major Tosalli, are supposed to have been massacred by Menelik's forces at Amberill. The Italian Government has ordered the despatch of reinforcements numbering four thousand men from Naples. The Government has every confidence in General Baratieri, and the Italian positions, notably at Makalle, are strongly fortified and victualled in case of siege.

OBITUARY.

London, December 6.—The death is announced of George Augustus Sala, the journalist.

KILLED BY A LION.

Bombay, December 9.—A telegram received here from Aden announces the death of Major Sandbach, R. A., from the effects of injuries inflicted by a lioness in Somaliland.

A BOMBAY TRAGEDY.

Bombay, December 9.—A Suratt servant in the employ of Professor Bain of the Deccan College on Saturday night got possession of a revolver belonging to his master and shot his mistress four times, also wounding a girl. He escaped and threw himself into a well, where his body was discovered through the revolver and the murderer's clothes being found lying on the wall of the well. The man had first shot himself and then jumped into a well.

THE GROUNDING OF FRENCH WARSHIPS.

Paris, December 8.—Captain Puech of the flagship *Formidable* has been reprimanded for the grounding of his ship off Hyeres. The Minister of Marine has written to Admiral Gervais, who was in command of the squadron at the time, hoping that he will have the tact in future to follow the advice of the Committee of enquiry and allow plenty of sea room when manoeuvring his ships at night.

THE ASHANTI EXPEDITION.

London, Dec. 8.—The select battalion to which Prince Henry of Battenberg has been attached embarked with his Royal Highness at the Albert Docks yesterday for Ashanti. The Duke of Connaught, commanding at Aldershot, reviewed the Battalion at Aldershot before starting.

The hired transport *Bathurst* with the second division of the Ashanti expedition has arrived at Sierra Leone.

DISCOVERY OF GOLD.

London, Dec. 6.—A geologist belonging to the German East Africa Company discovered in October, forty miles to the west of Tangu, an auriferous quartz reef four miles in length.

THE TRADE RETURNS.

London, Dec. 9.—The trade returns for Great Britain in November show an increase in imports of ten and a half per cent and of eight per cent in exports.

THE COTTON DUTIES.

London, Dec. 9.—*The Times*, in an article on the cotton duties, concludes that India has a strong case which has brought conviction to the best men of both parties and that it will be very difficult for Lancashire to shake that conviction. Lord George Hamilton received the Manchester deputation on Wednesday.

THE GOA RISING.

Bombay, November 29.—The rising seems to be at an end. Nanus Fort has been entered by the Government troops without a shot being fired.

Goa, December 2.—The expeditionary force continues to occupy Nanus. The house of Dada Ranes was surrounded and entered, but he and his family had left the place and nothing valuable was found in the house except a quantity of grain. The house has been destroyed and the cottages of the villagers have been razed to the ground. None of the revolters have been captured, but some of the villagers have been arrested and made prisoners for sheltering the revolters. The force sent to capture the Rev. Alvares at Verna, not finding him, arrested two of his nephews and the regedor. They were brought to Pangim and placed before Colonel R. Villar, President of the Military Council, who at once set them free as they had nothing to do with the absence of the Rev. Alvares or with any accusation that might have been brought against him.

THE RATE OF INTEREST IN INDIA.

Bombay, December 3.—The Bank of Bombay to-day raised the rate of interest on demand loans on security of Government paper to five per cent.

THE FONSECA CASE.

Bombay, November 29.—The Viceroy sees no reason to interfere in the Fonseca case and rejects his appeal and Fonseca will be hanged on December 2.

THE MUSSOORIE BANK.

Allahabad, December 2.—The liquidator of the Mussoorie Bank has notified the payment of a final dividend of 6¼ per cent. to shareholders. The latter will, therefore, receive 62¼ per cent. of their capital, while the creditors of the Bank have been paid in full. The winding up has been completed by Mr G. H. Webb in a little under two and a half years.

GERMAN OFFICIAL APPOINTMENTS.

Berlin, November 30.—Baron de Gaertner Griebenom, at present German Consul-General in Calcutta, will probably be appointed German Minister at Teheran.

December 9.—M. Biermann, German Consul at Apia, Samoa, has been appointed Consul at Bombay in place of M. de Syburg translated to Algiers.

December 10.—Baron von Derrecke has been appointed Minister of the Interior in place of Herr Koeller, who lately resigned the position.

THE CRISIS IN TURKEY.

Constantinople, December 8.—The Ambassadors of the Powers have again been instructed to insist on the extra guardships being allowed. Further action of the Powers is now imminent. Her Majesty's despatch vessel *Cockatrice* and the *Imogene* lying in the Bosphorus were surrounded by Turkish police boats all Thursday night fearing that Said Pasha would attempt to take refuge on board. The boats were withdrawn at daylight. Sir Philip Currie has protested against the proceeding.

(*Via Ceylon.*)

BURMA AS A LIEUTENANT-GOVERNORSHIP.

Bombay, Dec. 4.—The question of converting Burma into a Lieutenant-Governorship will, in all probability, be taken into consideration during the coming session.

A LION-HUNTER IN DISTRESS.

Calcutta, December 6.—Major Sandbach, R.A., has had a very bad accident while out lion-shooting in Somaliland. He wounded a lioness, which turned on him; his shikari bolted with the second rifle, and the animal immediately killed the shikari. Major Sandbach fired twice, but the animal sprang on him and mauled him, a second shikari, with a camel-driver, eventually despatching the brute. Major Sandbach was taken in nine marches to Berbera, and thence to Aden, where both his arms were amputated.

THE PAPER CURRENCY RESERVE.

Calcutta, December 6.—The reports that Government will drop the proposal to increase the Paper Currency reserve by two crores of rupees are incorrect. The present stage of the question is that the Banks of Bengal, Bombay and the Chamber of Commerce, Bombay, all supported the scheme, and Bengal, in somewhat qualified terms. Answers from the Madras and Bengal Chambers of Commerce have yet to arrive. The Chambers at Rangoon and Karachi have also been consulted on their requesting that their views might be heard. The question will be considered after the Viceroy's arrival.

FRENCH COLONIAL POLICY.

Paris, December 10.—During a debate in the Chamber of Deputies this evening, M. Paul Guieysse, the Colonial Minister, said that the policy of France had emerged from a period of offensive and had entered a peaceful phase. The Government, he added, would not seek to extend the dominions of the Republic.

WHERE THE RUSSIAN PACIFIC SQUADRON WILL WINTER.

St. Petersburg, December 10.—The Russian Pacific squadron will winter in Kiaotchow Bay, in the Shantung Province.

WARLIKE PREPARATIONS AT BOMBAY.

Bombay, Dec. 4.—For some days past unusual activity has prevailed at the Bombay Dockyard, and the war vessels in harbour are, it is said, to be shortly put on a war footing. Large stores of munitions of war will be withdrawn from the arsenal for this purpose; and so great is the Government demand for Dockyard labour that the local contractors find their riveters and kindred workers deserting them almost daily in response to the Government offer of higher wages for emergent work.

H. M. S. *Plassy*, which has been lying in Marmugao in consequence of the troubles in Goanese territory, has been ordered to return to Bombay immediately.

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Gaelic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) ...	TUESDAY, Jan. 14, at noon.
Belgic (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) ...	SATURDAY, Feb. 1, at noon.

THE Steamship *COPTIC* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and YOKOHAMA, on FRIDAY, the 27th December, at Noon, connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

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City of Peking (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)	SATURDAY, Jan. 25, 1896, at noon.
China (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)	SATURDAY, Feb. 8, 1896, at noon.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship *CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 4th January, 1896, at Daylight, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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Tacoma	2,649	Tuesday	Jan. 14.
Victoria	3,167	Tuesday	Feb. 11.
Hankow	3,594	Tuesday	Mar. 10.
Tacoma	2,649	Tuesday	April 7.

THE Steamship *HANKOW*, Captain ORR, sailing at Daylight, on SATURDAY, the 28th December, will proceed to SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, Wash.

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Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate, and *one copy must be sent forward by the steamer* to the care of The Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad Tacoma, Wash.

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ALF. WOOLLEY, *Acting Superintendent.*

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,

Hongkong, December 19, 1895. 2400

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Preussen	Tuesday	March 31.
Sachsen	Tuesday	April 28.
Karlsruhe	Tuesday	May 26.
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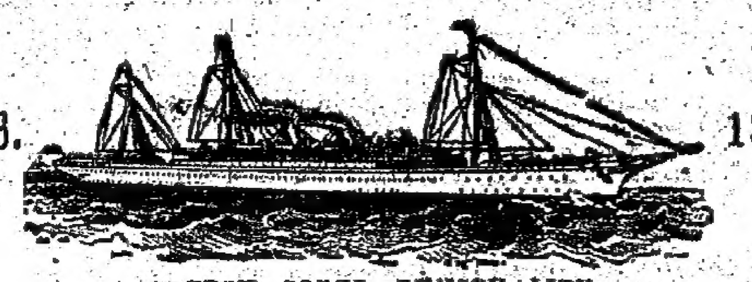
1896.  1896.

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THIS ESTABLISHMENT, situated in the elegant Building known as 'CONNAUGHT HOUSE,' offers First-Class Accommodation to Residents and Travellers.

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P. BOHM, *Proprietor and Manager.*

Hongkong, November 24, 1894. 1907

MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

THE MANAGEMENT has decided upon extending the Hotel Accommodation to Umbrella Seat. The NEW ROOMS will overlook the Harbour on one side and Ladrone Islands on the other, and each will have its own Bath Room.

A NEW WING will also be built on the Eastern End to the North of the BILLIARD ROOM, and

A BALL ROOM is to be erected on the site of the present Chunam Tennis Court, to be approached by a covered way from the Hotel on the one side and by the Peak Road on the other.

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Hongkong, December 4, 1895. 2362

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Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h*., near the Kowloong shore *k*., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c*., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.

Section.
7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kellett's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessel's Name.	Section.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.								
Altmore	5 c	Watson	Brit. str.	1497	Dec. 24	Chinese		
Amoy	...	Wolff	Ger. str.	665	Dec. 9	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	....	K'loon Dock
Amur	5 c	Mears	Brit. str.	540	Dec. 24	Wieler & Co.		
Belgic	...	Rinder	Brit. str.	4211	Nov. 4	O. & O. S. S. Co.	San Francisco	Cos'lan Dock
Bengloe	5 c	Thompson	Brit. str.	1958	Dec. 25	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Boynton	8 h	Irving	Brit. str.	1630	Dec. 24	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha	Kuchinotzu	
Bygdo	3 c	Brekke	Norw. str.	771	Dec. 1	Wieler & Co.		
Cassius	3 c	Unruh	Ger. str.	1504	Dec. 26	Lauts, Wegener & Co.		
Catherine Apcar	5 c	Olifent	Brit. str.	1733	Dec. 25	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Singapore	
Chittagong	5 c	Darcy	Brit. str.	1240	Nov. 5	Shewan & Co.		
Chow Fa	3 h	Williamson	Brit. str.	1067	Dec. 24	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	
Coptic	5 c	Lindsay	Brit. str.	2744	Dec. 18	O. & O. S. S. Co.	San Francisco	
Doris	5 c	Bruhn	Brit. str.	771	Dec. 23	Jebsen & Co.		
Evandale	5 c	Bayers	Brit. str.	2463	Dec. 22	O. & O. S. S. Co.	San Francisco	
Freyr	3 h	Strand	Dan. str.	389	Dec. 25	A. R. Marty		
Hailoong	5 h	Davis	Brit. str.	783	Dec. 24	Douglas Steamship Co.		
Haitan	5 h	Roach	Brit. str.	1183	Dec. 25	Douglas Steamship Co.	Coast Ports	
Hankow	5 c	Orr	Brit. str.	2332	Dec. 21	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	Tacoma, &c.	To-day
Independent	3 c	Ahrenkiel	Ger. str.	821	Dec. 24	Wieler & Co.		
Jacob Diederichsen	3 c	Schlaikier	Ger. str.	623	Dec. 24	Jebsen & Co.		
Kong Beng	...	Joslin	Brit. str.	867	Dec. 13	Yuen Fat Hong	....	K'loon Dock
Marie Jebsen	3 c	Matthiessen	Ger. str.	1807	Dec. 24	Jebsen & Co.		
Mascotte	8 h	Ross	Brit. str.	2017	Nov. 13	Bradley & Co.		
Memnon	3 k	Branch	Brit. str.	825	Dec. 20	Butterfield & Swire	Sandakan	To-day
Natal	5 c	Verron	Fren. str.	2355	Dec. 26	Messageries Maritimes	Shanghai	To-day
Oslo	...	Pedersen	Norw. str.	778	Dec. 8	Wieler & Co.	....	K'loon Dock
Paoting	3 c	Gyles	Brit. str.	1088	Dec. 26	Butterfield & Swire		
Pectan	2 k	Hocken	Brit. str.	3123	Nov. 24	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Phra Chom Klao	3 c	Fowler	Brit. str.	1011	Dec. 23	Butterfield & Swire		
Propontis	5 c	Farrand	Brit. str.	1390	Oct. 24	Chinese		
Sendai Maru	5 c	Miyage	Japan. str.	1064	Dec. 3	....		
Strathdee	...	Forsyth	Brit. str.	1709	Dec. 15	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	....	K'loon Dock
Sultan	3 c	Rafen	Brit. str.	1351	Dec. 21	Melchers & Co.		
Sungkiang	4 c	Dodd	Brit. str.	994	Dec. 23	Butterfield & Swire	Manila	
Tai Lee	3 c	Emke	Ger. str.	828	Dec. 22	Meyer & Co.	Swatow, &c.	To-morrow
Wing Hong	5 c	Maddock	Brit. str.	217	Dec. 25	Chinese	Swatow	
Sailing Vessels.								
Amy Turner	...	Warland	Amer. bqe.	961	Dec. 10	Order	....	K'loon Dock
Caleb Curtis	5 c	Raymond	Brit. sch.	67	April 28	China Traders Insurance Co.		
John Baizley	2 c	Shepherd	Am. bqtine	700	Dec. 14	Captain		
John R. Kelly	2 k	Chapman	Amer. sh.	2251	Nov. 21	Standard Oil Co.		
Marie Berg	3 c	Hindrichs	Ger. bqe.	538	Dec. 1	Wieler & Co.		
Mary	3 c	Swanson	Norw. bqe.	424	Nov. 22	Wieler & Co.		
Nam Shun Sing	3 c	Cheang Sang	Chi. 3-m. sc.	363	Aug. 21	Chinese		
Orient	3 c	Christiansen	Ger. bqe.	461	Dec. 5	Wieler & Co.		
Santa Cruz	5 c	O'Keefe	Amer. sch.	92	Dec. 19	Captain		
Selkirk	5 c	Crowe	Brit. sh.	1646	Nov. 20	Order		
St. Francis	2 c	Winn	Amer. sh.	1811	Dec. 14	Captain		
Torrisdale	7 c	Buchanan	Brit. bqe.	2184	Nov. 30	Wieler & Co.		
Wandering Jew	...	Nichols	Amer. sh.	1650	Sept. 17	Captain		

Her Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	I.H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Æolus	twin-screw cruiser 2nd class	3600	8	7000	Captain Robert L. Groome	Singapore
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1700	4	3180	Commander De Lisle	Hongkong
Archer	cruiser 3rd class	1770	6	2200	Comd. R. H. L. Risk	Foochow
Caroline	cruiser 3rd class	1460	14	1440	Captain Ch. J. Norcock	Hongkong
Centurion*	twinscrew battle ship	10,500	14	13,000	Captain Spence Logan	Hongkong
Daphne	sloop	1140	8	1400	Commander MacArthur	Hongkong
Edgar	twin-screw cruiser 1st class	7350	12	10,000	Capt. William B. Henderson	Nagasaki
Esk	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	363	9	340	Lt.-Com. Ravenhill	Hankow
Firebrand	gunboat 2nd class	455	4	450	Lieut.-Com. Vernon Maud	Kiukiang
Linnet	gun-vessel 2nd class	756	5	1050	Commander Sparkes	Tientsin
Mercury	cruiser 2nd class	3730	13	7300	Capt. Wilmot H. Fawkes	Hongkong
Peacock	gunboat 1st class	755	6	1200	Lieut.-Commander Laxton	Singapore
Pigmy	gunboat 1st class	755	6	1200	Lieut.-Com. Phillips	Hongkong
Pique	cruiser	3600	8	7000	Capt. Henry C. Bigge	Nagasaki
Plover	gunboat 1st class	755	6	1200	Lieut. Barber	Hongkong
Porpoise	cruiser 3rd class	1770	6	[illegible]	Commander F. R. Pelly	Hongkong
Rainbow	cruiser	3600	17	7000	Captain Wm. O. C. Forsyth	Woosung
Rattler	gunboat 1st class	715	6	1200	Lieut.-Com. Hugh Cotesworth	Newchwang
Redpole	gunboat 1st class	805	6	1200	Lieut.-Com. Grafton	Hongkong
Spartan	twin-screw cruiser 2nd class	3600	8	7000	Captain Alfred L. Winsloe	Shanghai
Swift	gun-vessel 2nd class	756	5	1010	Commander R. K. McAlpine	Foochow
Tamar	transport	2047	—	—	Capt. John E. Blaxland	Hongkong
Tweed	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	363	3	340	Lieut. Ward	Hongkong
Undaunted	cruiser	5600	12	8500	Captain Hallifax	Singapore
Victor Emanuel	receiving ship	5157	14		Commodore Boyes	Hongkong
Wivern	coast defence ship, armoured	2750	4	1450	———	Hongkong

Torpedo Boats in Reserve Nos. 6, 20, 35, 36, 37 and 38, first class; and 3 second class boats.

* Flagship of Vice-Admiral Buller, C.B.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Admiral Korniloff	Russian cruiser	4950	32	6000	Captain Etchaninoff	Kobe
Admiral Nakhimoff	Russian flagship	7781	32	9500	Captain Kasherininoff	Yokohama
Aleout	Russian gunboat	810	2	730	Captain Parenago	Vladivostock
Alert	U. S. corvette	1020	6	365	Captain Durand	Shanghai
Alger	French cruiser	4330	30	8000	Captain Boutet	Nagasaki
Alliance	U. S. cruiser	1375	10	670	Commander F. McCurley	Nagasaki
Arcona	German cruiser	2370	18	2400	Captain A. Sarnow	Hongkong
Aspic	French gunboat	475	4	450	Commander Journet	Bangkok
Aurora	Austrian frigate	1340	9	1000	Commander von Pott	Singapore
Baltimore	U. S. cruiser	4600	24	10,064	Captain Bridgman	Yokohama
Bayard	French flagship	6010	25	4400	Commander Fortin	Nagasaki
Beautemps-Beaupré	French wooden sloop	1350	14	1000	Captain Ternet	Yokohama
Bengo	Portuguese gunboat	462	5	400	Lt. Pedro de Azevedo Coutinho	Timor
Bobre	Russian sloop	950	13	1150	Captain Enkvisky	Nagasaki
Castilla	Spanish cruiser	3290	22	4400	Capt. Enrique Santula	Manila
Charleston	U. S. cruiser	4040	22	6666	Capt. Coffin	Nagasaki
Comète	French gunboat	465	4	500	Capt. Mandet	Shanghai
Concord	U. S. cruiser	1700	15	3400	Captain Craig	Foochow
Detroit	U. S. cruiser	2000	16	5400	Commander John Stark Newell	Hongkong
Don Antonio de Ulloa	Spanish cruiser	1200	4	—	Capt. Duelo	Manila
Don Juan de Austria	Spanish cruiser	1130	14	1500	Commander R. P. de Rosaure	Manila
Duguay Trouin	French cruiser	3535	19	4800	Captain Bayle	Woosung
Forfait	French cruiser	2350	28	2750	Captain Dalort	Nagasaki
Gaidamak	Russian gunboat	400	9	3500	Captain Melnitzky	Vladivostock
Gremiastchy	Russian gunboat	1490	12	1330	Capt. Cherkass	Shanghai
Iltis	German gunboat	490	4	340	Capt.-Lieut. Ingenohl	Swatow
Imperator Nicolai I	Russian ironclad	8800	32	8000	Capt. Foelkersham	Hongkong
Irene	German cruiser	4400	22	8000	Capt. von Dresky	K'loon Dock
Isly	French cruiser	4380	29	8000	Captain Rivet	Nagasaki
Inconstant	French gunboat	830	8	1100	Capt. Granier	Shanghai
Kaiser	German flagship	7677	16	—	Captain Jaeschke	K'loon Dock
Korejetz	Russian sloop	1200	9	2150	Capt. Lindestroem	Nagasaki
Kormoran	German cruiser	1640	8	2800	Captain Brinkmann	Shanghai
Kreiser	Russian sloop	1330	13	1200	Capt. Timofeew	Shanghai
Lion	French gunboat	500	6	500	Lieutenant Gauchet	Saigon
Lutin	French gunboat	490	4	500	Lieut.-Com. Guaydan	Tientsin
Machias	U. S. cruiser	1050	16	1600	Commander Houston	Shanghai
Manila	Spanish transport	1057	2	1000	Captain Viniegra	Manila
Marion	U. S. corvette	1900	12	730	Commander Gridley	Chefoo
Mandshur	Russian sloop	1200	9	1410	Commander Andreeff	Nagasaki
Monocacy	U. S. sloop	1370	6	850	Lieut.-Com. Reisinger	Tientsin
Olympia	U. S. flagship	5800	14	13,500	Captain J. S. Read	Yokohama
Otvajny	Russian gunboat	1600	12	2000	Captain Rodionoff	Nagasaki
Pamiat Azova	Russian cruiser	6000	22	8000	Captain Sabatchnikoff	Yokohama
Petrel	U. S. gunboat	890	6	550	Lt.-Com. Emory	Shanghai
Pluvier	French gunboat	845	4	450	Lieut. Commander Vidal	Bangkok
Prinzess Wilhelm	German cruiser	4400	22	8000	Captain von Holtzendorff	Nagasaki
Reina Cristina	Spanish cruiser	3090	19	4800	Com'der Jose Warleta	K'loon Dock
Rurik	Russian 1st class cruiser	10,923	30	13,250	———	Singapore
Silatch	Russian gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Baranoff	Vladivostock
Sivoutch	Russian cruiser	950	13	1120	Captain Astromoff	Vladivostock
Sophie	German cruiser	2100	14	2100	Captain Herbing	Nagasaki
Triomphante	French cruiser	4650	21	2400	———	Saigon
Vipère	French gunboat	480	4	436	Commander Coatrelle	Bangkok
Vladimir Monomach	Russian ironclad	5600	26	7000	Captain Z. Rogestvensky	Nagasaki
Yorktown	U. S. cruiser	1700	10	3650	Commander Stockton	Shanghai
Zabijaka	Russian cruiser	1330	12	1470	Captain Dessuilloff	Vladivostock

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